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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Torsten Heinemann

CASE: OST-011218

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FOR: COVERING ARRANGEMENT  
FOR A BUILDING, AND  
COVERING PART FOR USE IN  
SUCH A COVERING  
ARRANGEMENT

STATEMENT OF  
BASIS FOR  
RELEVANCE OF  
FOREIGN LANGUAGE  
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Applicant submits that the filing of the accompanying supplemental information disclosure statement is after the period specified in paragraph (b) of 37 C.F.R. 1.97. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits the enclosed supplemental information disclosure statement along with the fees as outlined in 37 C.F.R. 1.17 (p).

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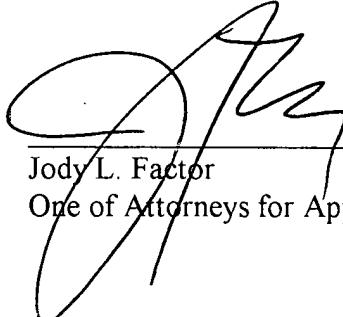
<u>Publication Number</u>	<u>Publication Date</u>	<u>Basis for Relevance</u>
FR 2 655 078	May 31, 1991	Roofing tiles comprise a rigid core of an insulating material enclosed in a film of a tough, flexible material, preferably polyethylene or polypropylene. Preferably comprises an injected phenolic resin roan. Preferably one end of the tile is curved over and features a channel and an underlying small integral stud or rib to engage a slotted lip at the other end of an adjacent tile. The underside of the tile is also provided with slots or channels to engage studs or rails on a supporting batten.
DE 25 14 981	October 14, 1976	The wide-area roofing tile affords full heat-insulating protection, comprises a metal or plastic sheath which enwraps the heat protection. The batten fitted for attachment to the roof supports members has an upward tilt. This not only reinforces the batten's load-bearing qualities, but also provides a U-shaped configuration for a prefabricated inlay of hard foamed plastic, to be inserted after attachment to the roof support members. This leads to tight sealing, with elimination of the cold bridge which would otherwise remain. The upward tilt may contain a pocket for engagement by a curve on the underside of the element, providing additional sealing of the cross or head joint gap.
DE 2 250 555	April 18, 1974	A prefabricated roofing element has a box-type head portion as well as a box-type base portion. The head portion and the end portion may sealingly interengage via complementary surfaces. Thus increased sealing properties and increased resistance against wind are obtained, while there is no additionally work in arranging the roofing elements on the carrying structure of the roof.

DE 25 25 130	December 18, 1975	Corrugated roof tiles of sheet metal, are designed for structural rigidity and to form an effective barrier to driving rain at overlaps, and embody an upward hair-clip sectioned return on the upper transverse edge and a downward return of approximate 'C' section on the lower transverse edge. The former return dovetails into the latter to form a mechanically keyed overlap. The marriage of the returns forms a weather dissipatory cavity at the joint. The geometry of the detail contrives the springing of the hairclip return into its interlocked position with the major face of the lower tile bearing flush on the railing edge of the upper tile. The detail thus presents a limited entry for driven rain with further gravity bars beyond this initial entry.
DE 25 31 220	February 3, 1977	The function of the snow retainer is to prevent slippage of snow on sloping roofs, especially on roofs covered with flat tiles or pantiles. The retainer comprises a shaped-section piece with a sharply projecting enter piece. This is adjoined on both sides by fishplates, one of which incorporates an end section facing upwards at approximately 90 degrees. The center piece can be A shaped, as viewed from the side. On a pantile roof the retainer can be set so that the upward facing end section fits under the edge of a tile above it, while the latter overlaps the tile on which the retainer lies.

Should anything further be required, a telephone call to the undersigned at (312) 226-1818  
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Respectfully submitted,

Dated: 6/30/03

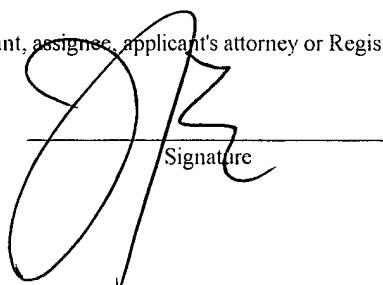
  
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